रसायन एवं उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुवर्डो फेलेरियो) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) बी.आई.एफ.आर. से कोई रिपोर्ट प्राप्त नहीं हुई है ?

उर्वरक उद्योग के क्षेत्र में अनुसंधान

323. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव :**
श्री कनक सिंह मोहन सिंह मंगरौला :

क्या **रसायन और उर्वरक** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में उर्वरक उद्योग के क्षेत्र में कोई अनुसंधान कार्य नहीं हुआ है;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में क्या अनुसंधान कार्य किया गया है ; और

(ग) पी.डी.आई.एल. और एफ.ई.डी.ओ. द्वारा अपने व्यय का कितने-कितने प्रतिशत अनुसंधान कार्य पर व्यय किया गया है ?

रसायन एवं उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुवर्डो फेलेरियो) : (क) और (ख) अनेक उर्वरक कम्पनियों द्वारा अनुसंधान एवं विकास कार्य किये जा रहे हैं। ये गतिविधियां मुख्यत: ऊर्जा दक्षता में सुधार, विभिन्न बहिस्त्रावों उप उत्पादों के संसाधन, अपशिष्ट अनुप्रयोग धीमें मुक्त होने वाले उर्वरकों, जैव उर्वरकों का विकास, नये केटलिस्टों के निकास और प्रक्रिया प्रौद्योगिक के क्षेत्र के आसपास केन्द्रित है। स्वदेशी अनुसंधान एवं विकास प्रयासों के माध्यम से प्राप्त उल्लेखनीय परिणाम नाइट्रोजन उर्वरकों के उत्पादन में आवश्यक कटेलिस्टों के व्यवहारिक रूप से संपूर्ण रेंज का विकास, नाइट्रिक एसिड संयंत्र में एन ओ एक्स उपशमन का विकास यूरिया संयंत्र से बहिस्त्रों के संसाधन के लिए हाइड्रोलाइजर स्ट्राइपर तंत्र और उससे अमोनिया की प्रतिपूर्ति, उर्वरक मालों में माइक्रोन्यूट्रियेंटस जैसे जिंकेटेड यूरिया, बोरोनेटेड सिंगल सूपर फास्फेट आदि का समावेशन का विकास हो रहा है।

(ग) गत तीन वर्षों के लिए पीडीआईएल और फैक्ट (जिसका फीडो एक डिजाइन एवं अभियांत्रिकी संगठन है किन्तु अनुसंधान एवं विकास कार्य नहीं करता) के लिए किये गये कुल व्यय की तुलना में अनुसंधान एव विकास कार्य पर किये गये व्यय की प्रतिशतता क्रमश: सामान्यत: लगभग 13% और 1% से कम रही है।

New Drug Policy

324. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate a new drug policy; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (b) The modifications needed in the existing drug policy related to various aspects of pharmaceutical industry are still under examination as part of the Review of Drug Policy, 1986 and would be announced soon after the matter is finalised.

Decontrol of Molasses and alcohol

325. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have constituted a working group to look into various problems arising after the decontrol of molasses and alcohol;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the working group;

(c) whether Government propose to steps to implement the recommendations; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (d) A Working Group under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister, Karnataka, was set up in the Excise Minister's Conference held on 4-11-1993. The terms of reference of the Working Group were:-(i) to harmonise the State Policies for sale and distribution of country liquor with decontrol; (ii) to review the Acts and Rules in the States to bring them in line with the objectives of decontrol; (iii) to rationalise Acts and Rules to ensure that potable alcohol production is regulated and controlled in a unfirm manner in all States; (iv) to remove all hindrances to market forces operating freely in respect of molasses and alcohol (v) to suggest interim measures, if any; (vi) to suggest measures to balance supply of rectified sprit to deficit States and also Government supply of country liquor to licensed vendors and chemicals and pharmaceuticals producers; and (vii) To suggest measures for checking diversion of molasses for potable alcohol production.

The recommendations of the Group are under examination.

Setting up of new fertilizer plants during the Eighth Plan

326. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up some fertilizer plants in the country during the Eighth Plan;

(b) if so, the number of fertilizer plants proposed to be set up;

(c) the location of these plants;

(d) whether Government propose to set up one plant in undivided Koraput district;

(e) if so, the site selected therefor; and

(f) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a)to (c) As part of the plan to increase the production of fertilizers during the Eighth Five Year Plan, sanction has been accorded for doubling of the capacity of Vijaipur plant (Distt. Guna, Madhya Pradesh) of National Fertilizers Ltd. (NFL) and Aonla plant (Distt. Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh) of Indian Farmers Fertilizers Cooperative Ltd. (IFFCO). Gas allocation has also been indicated for one medium sized gas-based ammonia-urea plant based on gas from Krishna-Godavari basin in Andhra Pradesh.

(d) to (f) No such proposal is under consideration. .. ..

Chemicals Units of Orissa

327. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleasd to state:

(a) the names of tne places in Orissa where chemicals units exist;

(b) whether suh units are microscopic in number; and

(c) if so, the details of steps taken to set up chemicals units in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) There are approximately 295 small and medium scale Chemicals Units in Orissa State. Some of the locations of these units are Cuttack, Ganjam, Bhubaneshwar, Rourkela, Sambalpur, Puri, Mayurbhanj, Koraput, Keonjhar and Brajrajnagar.

Since a large part of the chemicals industry has been delicensed, individual decisions to make investments in this sector depend upon availability of infrastructure, raw material and market.

Import of Fertilizers

328. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state: